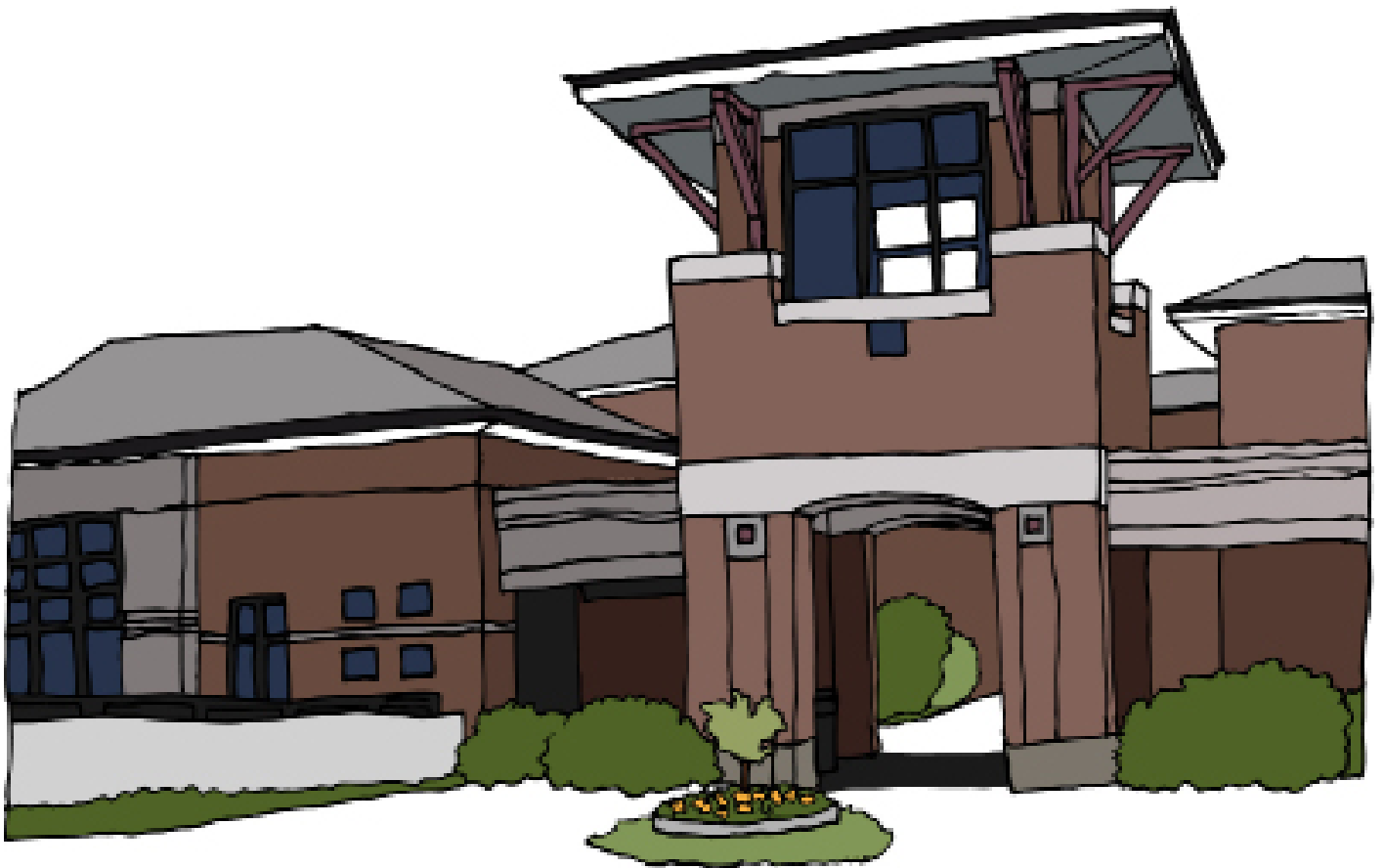


Celebration of Achievement 2009



Character

Underlying our school's mission... is a foundation built upon character.

As I guide visitors through our campus buildings, I often remark: "Look at these hallways, they are covered with the good news of our students' work." A wonderful variety of art, posters announcing exciting performances, and vibrant paper banners celebrating college acceptances adorn our walls. I always feel a great sense of pride as I stroll through the campus—not just because of the obvious signs of success but because the walls themselves represent success.

Unlike so many other public spaces, our campus is free of the damage that illustrates students do not respect nor care for their educational home. Our walls display only incidental bumps and chips—an unspoken sign of our students' character, their good character.

When our students first arrive at the Governor's School, they are all familiar with damage caused by the misbehavior of classmates or friends in their previous schools or hometowns. But, by attending this school they have stepped into an environment that affirms and applauds positive activities, each day, all day; they quickly accept and support this culture.

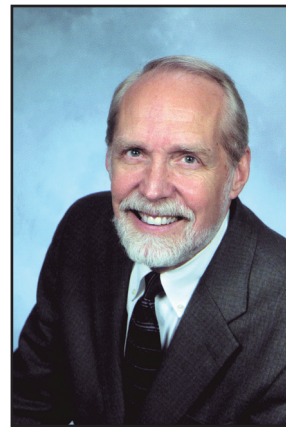
I deeply appreciate and marvel at the character of our students. They care about each other, their teachers, and all of those

who help to shape their academic and social lives. We give them the space to live a positive and caring life, and they accept this basic freedom and build upon it with acts of kindness and consideration. As we look back over the students' time with us, we are thrilled to see a sense of responsibility that has matured and blossomed.

In his April 13th newsletter, author and commentator Michael Josephson writes: "Our character is the house we live in, and it's built piece by piece by our daily choices. Deceit, irresponsibility, and disrespect are like shoddy workmanship. Whenever we put in less than our best and ignore our potential for excellence, we create a future full of creaky floors, leaky roofs, and crumbling foundations."

Underlying our school's mission of creating "an environment of artistic and academic excellence" is a foundation built upon character. Lasting excellence in life requires a fundamental commitment to excellence in a shared world. As I say goodbye to the Class of 2009, I see the excellent personal qualities that will build a strong foundation for their lives as artists and citizens in the years ahead. I am grateful for their impressive character, for their care and concern for this academic and artistic house—they made it their home.

- Bruce Halverson



Dr. Bruce R. Halverson
President

I am continually amazed at the courageous capacity of our students, faculty and staff. It is said that art takes courage, and this year has presented particular tests of that theory. The courage that I see every day at the Governor's School is not that of brave soldiers in the midst of battle, but rather it is something that comes from the heart. In fact, the word *courage* comes from the Latin (*cor*) and Middle English (*corage*), roots of the word *heart*. Our school was founded because those before us had the passion and perseverance to bring their vision to fruition, so it is appropriate that we continue to hold firm to our commitment to this extraordinary place, with all our heart.

Students, I have seen your courage to:

- Come to the Governor's School. This risk was a good sign that you were ready and willing to seek the possibilities ahead.
- Challenge and stretch yourself intellectually and artistically. You have demonstrated time and time again that you are not willing to settle for mediocrity.
- Perform beautifully, and then risk doing it again. Doing something well once is good, but greatness comes from the ability to repeat and improve upon it.
- Dust off, get up, and try again. We all falter occasionally. It is the getting back up and learning from it that makes us strong.
- Revise and adapt. Often the best art comes from an unexpected change along the way that results in something better than anticipated or that previously existed.



Sharon L. Kazee
Dean

- Have a creative spirit. You dare to take risks, but you do so in a way that is thoughtful and compassionate.
- Accept and support one another. You have embraced the sense of community that is central to the Governor's School mission.
- Present an idea in a new way. In what other school could a student acknowledge a gift through a poem or apply for a student council position by expressing it through a piece of art?
- Hold on to ideals. There were times when you spoke out and held firm for something that was important to you.
- Dream, but have the courage to carry those dreams to fruition.
- Move forward to the next important phase in your life. With courage, you go forward when others stop.

Please remember that we will continue to encourage you in your future endeavors. We are proud of you and hope to hear from you often. I watched you blossom through your Governor's School experience, and I wish you well as you courageously pass through our gates to the world ahead. Congratulations and Best Wishes, class of 2009!

- Sharon Kazee

**Dream,
but have the
courage
to carry those
dreams to fruition.**

Courage

celebration program

Preludes, Book II

Ondine
Feux d'artifice

Claude Debussy
(1862-1918)

Stephen Taylor, piano

Welcome

Bruce R. Halverson
President

Presentation of Senior Class Gift

Samantha Bryan, Student Body President
Tegan Watts, Senior Class President

Remarks

The Honorable Richard W. Riley

Reflections, Recognitions and Awards

Reflections from the Academic Departments

Jennifer Thomas

Reflections from the Arts Departments and Presentation of Cords

Creative Writing

Dance

Drama

Music

Visual Arts

Scott Gould

Stanislav Issaev

Daniel Murray

David Hamilton

Joseph Thompson

Remarks

Sharon Kazee
Dean and Vice President of Arts and Humanities

Concerto for Two Trumpets

Adagio-Allegro

Gary Malvern • Barret Newman (class of 2004), trumpets
Stephen Taylor, piano

Antonio Vivaldi
(1669-1741)

Attention Graduates and Parents:
Graduation photos are being taken by
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They will be available for viewing/ordering on May 26, 2009 online at
<http://www.ernestrawlins.com>
Enjoy!

class of 2009



Destinations

Elizabeth Ross Abowd, Lesley University
Justina Monique Adorno, Coastal Carolina University
Caroline Elizabeth Alexander, New York
University-Steinhart School
Maria Isabel Arroyo, Duke University
Alicia Sue Ballard, Flager College
Kathleen Bridgforth Barnwell, Travel Abroad
Alexander Thomas Bedillion, Georgia
Institute of Technology
Rose Malynn Berry, University of
South Carolina-Columbia
Hillary Leigh Bolt, University of
South Carolina-Columbia
Jacob Bruce Borchardt, Delayed 2009
St. John's University

Brittany Michelle Bradfute, High Point University
Barry Ajani Brannum, Princeton University
Kathryn Garrett Breazeale, Emory University
Samantha Leigh Bryan, Rhodes College
Garrett Ross Campbell, University of South
Carolina-Columbia
Nicholas Alexander Capps, College of
Charleston
Darlea Rachelle Carr, University of
South Carolina, Honors College-Columbia
Lindsay Payne Carroll, Appalachian State University
Jason Allen Catron, Southwestern University
Benjamin Wayne Chen, The Cleveland
Institute of Music
Linda Szu-Yu Chen, New York University

Spencer Max Chipman, University of Louisiana
at Lafayette
Audrey Elisabeth Cook, University of North
Carolina-Chapel Hill
Margaret Ruth Creech, George Washington University
Taylor Nicole Davidson, Princeton University
Kymberly Ann Day, Maryland Institute of the Arts
Cory Jevalier France, Howard University
Corneilus O'Brian Franklin, Howard University
Christopher Lee Gentry, Reinhardt College
Nicholas Keller Gerald, North Carolina School
of the Arts
Kaci Michelle Gibson, Converse College
Kayla Marie Gifford, Virginia Commonwealth University
Tatyana Georgiyevna Grechina, Tyler School of the
Arts-Temple
Benjamin Edwin Green, Florida State University
Zachary Samuel Greenway, Winthrop University
Sarah Irene Gregory, Winthrop University
Theodore Quincy Gwara, Southern Methodist
University
Sona Jain Hardison, University of
South Carolina-Columbia
Sarah Jordan Holcombe, Furman University
Meghan Grier Jackson, Furman University
Jessicalynn Johnson-Cunningham,
Bennington College
Anna Jane Jones, Occidental College
Ashley Sierra Jones, College of Charleston
Peter Lee Kim, University of South Carolina-Columbia
Daniel Joseph Klaeren, Indiana University
Daisy Laird, Rhodes College
Kristie Anne Landing, Duke University
Mary Kathleen Lear, DePauw University
Anne Tillitt Lewis, Furman University
Kyndra Cassandra Mack, Southern Methodist University
Hannah Paige Marsh, Presbyterian College
Ashton Xavier McMillan, Coastal Carolina University
Erin Rogers McMullin, Brigham Young University
Madeline Marie Mikolon, Pratt Institute
Daniel Thomas Miller, Charleston Southern University
Erin Michelle Mitchell, Winthrop University
Michael Aaron Mitchell, Maryland Institute of the Arts
Caleb Andrew Murphy, Coastal Carolina University
Anna Louise Korbek Nelson, Lawrence University
and Conservatory of Music
Zachary Grey NeSmith, Winthrop University

Katherine Michelle Norcutt, University of
North Carolina-Chapel Hill
Samantha Jolene Orr, University of Utah
John Funchess Ott, Jr., University of South Carolina
Honors College-Columbia
Neha Revathy Parthasarathy, University of South
Carolina-Columbia
Nicolas Pascual, Maryland Institute of Art
Catherine Anne Peacock, Savannah College of
Art and Design
Emerald Joy Persall, University of
South Carolina-Columbia
Dustin O'Keefe Poelker, Loyola University
Corey Alan Pope, Winthrop University
Michael Oliver Dylan Pruitt, Duke University
Audrey Michelle Putz, Maryland Institute
College of Art
Nathan Kent Reeves, Furman University
Morgan Anne Roach, Converse College
Michael Allen Roberts, University of
North Carolina-Chapel Hill
Virginia Marie Roberts, Belhaven College
Marjorie Lynne Schultz, Clemson University
Andrew Pierce Smith, Peabody Conservatory
Elijah Lee Smith, Berklee College of Music
William Montgomery Smith, University of
South Carolina-Columbia
Christopher John Sparace, Northwestern University
Jonathan Graham Spigner, Princess Grace Academy
of Classical Dance-Monaco Monte Carlo
Jennifer Carter Staples, Dominican University-California
Shelby Catherine Switzer, University of Cambridge
Trinity College
Lauren Marie Taylor, Honors College of Charleston
Anna Monroe Teague, Florida State University
Alexandra Rose Tennant, Clark University
Tyler Paul Thompson, Furman University
Maeve Riordan Tierney, University of South
Carolina-Columbia
Sterling Alexander Tyler, Eastman School of Music
Harleigh Jane Warner, Clemson University
Jennifer Nicole Watson, Kansas City Institute of the Arts
Tegan Elizabeth Watts, University of South Carolina
William Taylor Wirthlin, Maryland Institute of Technology
Anna Alexius Wise, University of Evansville
Kathleen Elyse Worthen, Furman University
Haley Ann Zdybel, College of Charleston

academics

Presidential Scholar

Neha Parthasarathy

The Governor's Citizenship Award

Samantha Bryan

Principal's Leadership Award

John Ott, Jr.

National Merit Finalists 2009

Taylor Davidson
Audrey Cook
Shelby Switzer

National Achievement Finalists 2009

AJ Brannum

Recognition in the 2010 National Achievement Program

James Hall

Commended Students in the 2009 National Merit Program

AJ Brannum	Erin Mitchell
Kathryn Breazeale	Michael Pruitt
Margaret Creech	William Wirthlin
Theodore Gwara	Kathleen Worthen
Anna Jane Jones	Haley Zdybel

Participation in the 2010 National Merit Program

Kailey Bray	Jake Ross
Austin Cox	Abby Starnes
Carrie Frey	Anna Velicky
Mary Beth Hanner	

National Hispanic Recognition Program 2009

Maria Isabel Arroyo

Perfect SAT Critical Reading Score of 800

Benjamin Chen	John Ott, Jr.
Erin Mitchell	

Perfect SAT Writing Score of 800

Dustin Poelker
Tatyana Grechina

Perfect SAT Subject Test Score of 800

Shelby Switzer: World History, Literature

Perfect ACT English Score of 36

Shelby Switzer

2009 Academic Achievement Award Scholars

Elizabeth Abowd	Erin McMullin
Alexander Bedillion	Erin Mitchell
Malynn Berry	John Ott, Jr.
AJ Brannum	Neha Parthasarathy
Kathryn Breazeale	Dustin Poelker
Darlea Carr	Michael Pruitt
Benjamin Chen	Nathan Reeves
Audrey Cook	Shelby Switzer
Margaret Creech	Lauren Taylor
Taylor Davidson	Anna Teague
Tatyana Grechina	Tyler Thompson
Sarah Gregory	Jennifer Watson
Meghan Jackson	Alexius Wise
Anna Jane Jones	Haley Zdybel
Kristie Landing	

Palmetto Fellows Scholarship Recipients

Elizabeth Abowd	Anna Jane Jones
Caroline Alexander	Daniel Klaeren
Maria Isabel Arroyo	Kristie Landing
Alexander Bedillion	Kati Lear
Malynn Berry	Hannah Marsh
AJ Brannum	Erin Mitchell
Benjamin Chen	John Ott, Jr.
Audrey Cook	Dustin Poelker
Margaret Creech	Michael Pruitt
Taylor Davidson	Nathan Reeves
Tatyana Grechina	William Smith
Meghan Jackson	

2009 Quest Bridge Recipients

AJ Brannum
Kati Lear

Junior Marshals

Grace Bernardo, Head Marshal	
Carrie Frey, Head Marshal	
Jessica Dugan	Kailey Bray
Sarah Hamilton	Mary Beth Hanner
Amanda Palmer	Jake Ross
William Barker IV	Meghan Henson

Palmetto Girls State

Amanda Palmer
Siobhan McLaughlin

Palmetto Boys State

Joshua Denzell Phelps

Furman University (The Riley Institute) Emerging Leader 2009

Neha Parthasarathy

Washington and Lee Book Award

Uchechi Kalu

Cincinnati Scholarship Competition

Benjamin Chen	Daniel Klaeren
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Coker College Scholars

Kaitlin Edwards	Fantashia Spruill
Mahalia Mays	

College of Charleston Cistern Scholars

Carrie Frey	Sarah Hamilton
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Converse College Junior Scholars

Grace Bernardo	Sara Parker
Catherine Devoe	Patesha Vance

Furman University Scholar

Carrie Frey

Lander University Junior Fellows

Mary Beth Hanner

Newberry College Scholars Program

Mary Beth Hanner	Maura Keane
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Oglethorpe University Presidential Scholar

Erin Mitchell

Presbyterian College Fellows

Grace Bernardo	Kailey Bray
Carrie Frey	Mary Beth Hanner
Sarah Hamilton	Jake Ross
William Barker IV	Meghan Henson

Wofford College Scholars

Mary Beth Hanner

National Young Leaders Conference Nominees

Alexandra Adams (10th grade)
Grace Bernardo (11th grade)
Kailey Bray (11th grade)
William Barker IV (11th grade)
Margaret Perry (11th grade)
Uchechi Kalu (11th grade)
Daenayia Hudson (11th grade)
James Hall (11th grade)
Christian Reisig (11th grade)
Lucy Warner (10th grade)

Bryn Mawr College President's Book Award

Uchechi Kalu

Rutgers University Book Award

Rory Gilbert

Swarthmore College Book Award

Carrie Frey

Clafin University Scholar

Cory France

Mount Holyoke College "Take the Lead" Nominees

Alexandra Adams	Lucy Warner
Veronica Jiao	

AP Scholars Scholars

Seth Adams, 2008	Braden Joyce-Schleimer, 2008
Trenton Barnes, 2008	Lauren Koch, 2008
Kate Barnwell, 2009	Kati Lear, 2009
Malynn Berry, 2009	Lauren McClure, 2009
AJ Brannum, 2009	Grace Mix, 2008
Kathryn Breazeale, 2009	Neha Parthasarathy, 2009
Matthew Casedonte, 2008	Margaret Sands, 2008
Taylor Davidson, 2009	Alexandra Tennant, 2009
Elizabeth Estochen, 2008	Ian Wilson, 2008
Austin Gaboriau, 2008	Haley Zdybel, 2009
Meghan Jackson, 2009	

Scholars with Honor

Nicholas Gerald, 2009	Findley Merritt, 2008
Robert Gladden, 2008	Dustin Poelker, 2009
Everett Hamilton, 2008	Marcus Shields, 2008

Scholars with Distinction

Claire Ardis, 2008	Tianyi Hu, 2008
Celeste Brewer, 2008	Anna Jane Jones, 2009
Allen Butt, 2008	Shelby Switzer, 2009
Benjamin Chen, 2009	Benjamin Watkins, 2008
Victoria Cole, 2008	Colin Whelehan, 2008

National Scholars

Tianyi Hu, 2009	Colin Whelehan, 2008
Shelby Switzer, 2009	

Presidential Service Awards (Over 100 Hours)

Elizabeth Abowd	Shelby Switzer
Brittany Bradfute	Alexius Wise

CATS Cords

Elizabeth Abowd	Anne Lewis
Justina Adorno	Daniel Miller
Maria Isabel Arroyo	Erin Mitchell
Malynn Berry	Kat Norcutt
Hillary Bolt	Samantha Orr
Brittany Bradfute	John Ott, Jr.
Samantha Bryan	Neha Parthasarathy
Garrett Campbell	Nicholas Pascual
Darlea Carr	Michael Pruitt
Benjamin Chen	Nathan Reeves
Linda Chen	Morgan Roach
Audrey Cook	Virginia Roberts
Margaret Creech	Marjorie Schultz

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creative writing

Over the course of their careers at the Governor's School, the class of 2009 won 53 Regional-at-Large Gold Key Awards and 22 National Citations from the Scholastic Writing Awards. They were also recognized on the national level by the NFAA (National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts), and on a state-wide level as multiple winners in the South Carolina Writers Workshop High School Writing Competition, as well as the winner of the Archibald Rutledge Scholarship for Poetry.

Jacob Borchardt

2009

Scholastic Writing Awards, National General Writing Portfolio Silver Medal
Scholastic Writing Awards, National Nonfiction Portfolio Silver Medal
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, General Writing Portfolio
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Nonfiction Portfolio

2008

Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Poetry
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Short Story

Sammi Bryan

2009

National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts, Honorable Mention
Scholastic Writing Awards, National Silver Medal Personal Essay/Memoir
Scholastic Writing Awards, National Nonfiction Portfolio Silver Medal
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Personal Essay/Memoir
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Personal Essay/Memoir
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Personal Essay/Memoir
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Poetry
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, General Writing Portfolio
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Nonfiction Portfolio
SC Writers Workshop High School Competition, 2nd Place, Poetry
SC Writers Workshop High School Competition, Honorable Mention, Nonfiction

2008

Scholastic Writing Awards, National Gold Key Winner, Personal Essay/Memoir
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key Winner, Personal Essay/Memoir
SC Writers Workshop High School Competition, 1st Place, Nonfiction

Maggie Creech

2009

Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Personal Essay/Memoir
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Personal Essay/Memoir
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Personal Essay/Memoir
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Nonfiction Portfolio

2008

Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Poetry
SC Writers Workshop High School Competition, Fiction, Honorable Mention

Taylor Davidson

2009

Scholastic Writing Awards, National Gold Medal Dramatic Script
Scholastic Writing Awards, National Silver Medal Poetry
Scholastic Writing Awards, National Silver Medal Short Story
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Short Story
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Short Story
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Poetry
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Dramatic Script
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Personal Essay/Memoir
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, General Writing Portfolio

2008

SC Writers Workshop High School Competition, 1st Place, Poetry
SC Writers Workshop High School Competition, 2nd Place, Nonfiction

John Ott, Jr.

2009

Scholastic Writing Awards, National Gold Medal Short Short Story
Scholastic Writing Awards, National Nonfiction Portfolio Silver Medal
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Short Short Story
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Short Short Story
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Nonfiction Portfolio

2008

Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Poetry
SC Writers Workshop High School Competition, 1st Place, Fiction

Neha Parthasarathy

2009

National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts, Young Arts Silver Award Winner (\$5000)
National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts, Finalist, Poetry
National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts, Merit Award, Short Story
Scholastic Writing Awards, National Silver Medal Poetry
Scholastic Writing Awards, National Silver Medal Short Story
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Short Story
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Poetry
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Nonfiction Portfolio
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, General Writing Portfolio
Bennington College Young Writers Competition, 2nd Place, Poetry

Michael Pruitt

2009

Scholastic Writing Awards, National Silver Medal Poetry
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Poetry
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, General Writing Portfolio

Mike Roberts

2009

Archibald Rutledge Scholarship Winner for Poetry (\$3500)
Scholastic Writing Awards, National General Writing Portfolio Silver Medal
Scholastic Writing Awards, National Nonfiction Portfolio Silver Medal
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Personal Essay Memoir
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Nonfiction Portfolio
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, General Writing Portfolio

2008

Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Poetry
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Short Story
SC Writers Workshop High School Competition, Honorable Mention, Nonfiction
SC Writers Workshop High School Competition, Honorable Mention, Poetry

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dance

Dance Achievements 2009

- **Jonathan Spigner** placed Second in the Youth American Grand Prix Regional Competition and also qualified for the YAGP finals in New York along with **Kristie Landing** and **Michael Agudelo**.
- **Jonathan Spigner** has accepted an offer from Princess Grace Academy of Classical Dance in Monaco Monte Carlo. He also received an offer from Washington Ballet.

- **Kristie Landing** received a scholarship from Ballet West.

Alum Update

Joseph Phillips, under the supervision of Stanislav Issaev, received a Gold Medal in the International Ballet Competition in Seoul.

Academic Achievements, continued from page 9

CATS Cords, continued

Taylor Davidson	Kati Lear
Cory France	Andrew Smith
Corneilus Franklin	William Smith
Nicholas Gerald	Christopher Sparace
Kaci Gibson	Shelby Switzer
Kayla Gifford	Lauren Taylor
Sarah Holcombe	Maeve Tierney
Meghan Jackson	Harleigh Warner
Jessieh Johnson-Cunningham	Jennifer Watson
Daisy Laird	Alexius Wise
Kristie Landing	Haley Zdybel

National Forensic Qualifier 2008 and Governor for South Carolina Youth in Government 2008

Neha Parthasarathy

2009 State Champion Senate Student Congress Event

Neha Parthasarathy

National History Day State Qualifiers

Danielle Peters	Emily Sizemore
Erin Lusk	Jake Ross
Keenan Shepard	

drama

National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts Merit Award in Theatre

Jessieh Johnson-Cunningham

Samantha Orr

University of Utah-Artistic Merit Scholarship

Anna Wise

Southern Methodist University Meadows School of the Arts, University of Evansville, Artistic Merit Scholarship

Justina Adorno

Coastal Carolina University, Artistic Merit Scholarship

Ted Gwara

Southern Methodist University Meadows School of the Arts, Artistic Merit Scholarship

Kyndra Mack

Southern Methodist University Meadows School of the Arts, University of Evansville, The Hartt School, Rutgers University Mason Gross School of the Arts Artistic Merit Scholarships

Creative Writing Achievements, continued from page 11

Shelby Switzer

2009

Scholastic Writing Awards, National Silver Medal Poetry
Scholastic Writing Awards, National Nonfiction Portfolio Silver Medal
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Humor
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Humor
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Personal Essay/Memoir
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Poetry
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, General Writing Portfolio
SC Writers Workshop High School Competition, Honorable Mention, Nonfiction
Poetry forthcoming in New Mexico Poetry Review

2008

Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Poetry
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Short Story

Lauren Taylor

2009

Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Dramatic Script
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Poetry
Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Nonfiction Portfolio

2008

Scholastic Writing Awards, Region-At-Large Gold Key, Humor

music

All State Band
Hillary Bolt
Christopher Sparace

Region Band
Brittany Bradfute
Hannah Marsh

SCBDA Master Recital Festival
Benjamin Chen

All State Orchestra
Alexander Bedillion

Region Orchestra
Alexander Bedillion

Concerto Competition Honors
Audrey Cook
Winner-Carolina Youth Symphony
Concerto Competition
Winner-GAMAC Concerto Competition
Winner-Hilton Head Orchestra Concerto
Competition

Alexander Bedillion
Carolina Youth Symphony
Senior Honors Concert

Benjamin Chen
Carolina Youth Symphony
Senior Honors Concert

Daniel Klaeren
Carolina Youth Symphony
Senior Honors Concert

Focus on Art Music Division Winner
Sarah Jordan Holcombe

"Juilliard at Aiken" Master Class Participants
Erin McMullin
Tegan Watts

Emerson Scholar to Interlochen Arts Academy
Benjamin Chen

**Oberlin Conservatory Vocal Academy
for High School Students**
Kati Lear

**Music Teacher's National Association
State Competitions**
Woodwinds
Benjamin Chen, Honorable Mention

Brass
Andrew Smith, Winner
Kathryn Breazeale, Honorable Mention

Strings, Audrey Cook, Honorable Mention

Piano, Lonnie Russell, Winner

**Music Teacher's National Association
Regional Competition**
Brass, Andrew Smith, Second Place

**National Association of Teachers of
Singing Competition**
Caroline Alexander, First Place
Katie Lear, Regional Finalist
Garrett Campbell,
Music Theater Regional Finalist
Caroline Alexander,
Musical Theater Regional Finalist
Chris Gentry, Musical Theater Regional Finalist

Classical Singer Competition
Caroline Alexander, Regional Finalist
Kati Lear, Third Place (Shorter College)
Morgan Roach, Third Place (Converse College)

USC Aiken Young Artist Competition
Caroline Alexander, First Place
Garrett Campbell, Second Place

Senior Showcase Winners
Caroline Alexander • Alexander Bedillion
Hillary Bolt • Darlea Carr • Benjamin Chen
Audrey Cook • Nicholas Gerald • Kaci Gibson
Meghan Jackson • Daniel Klaeren • Kati Lear
Erin McMullin • Christopher Sparace
Anna Teague • Alexandra Tennant
Tyler Thompson • Sterling Tyler • Haley Zdybel

visual arts

The 19th Annual Upstate High School Art Exhibition
Lauren Scarborough, First Place, Promotional Design
Emerald Persall, Second Place, Promotional Design
Zachary NeSmith, Second Place, Fine Art Photography
Jennifer Watson, First Place, Ceremics
Kate Worthen, First Place, Metals
Kate Worthen, Second Place, metals
Kymberly Day, First Place, Sculpture
Lindsay Carroll, Third Place, Drawing
Maria Arroyo, First Place, Printmaking

Scholastic Art Awards 2009
Katya Cohen
Tatyana Grechina, Printmaking, Silver Key
Tatyana Grechina, Printmaking, Certificate of Merit
Ashley Jones, Printmaking, Certificate of Merit
Catherine Peacock, Printmaking, Certificate of Merit

Axel Forrester
Alicia Ballard, Design, Certificate of Merit
Austin Cox, Design, Certificate of Merit
Emerald Persall, Design, Certificate of Merit
Corey Pope, Computer Art, Silver Key
Ezequiel Rodriguez, Design, Certificate of Merit
Audrey Putz, Design, Silver Key

Ben Gilliam
Kayla Gifford, Design: Produce, Certificate
of Merit
Kate Worthen, Design: Jewelry, Silver Key

Joseph Thompson
Kayla Gifford, Ceremics & Glass, Certificate
of Merit
Kayla Gifford, Sculpture, American Visions
Kayla Gifford, Sculpture, Gold Key
Zachary Greenway, Sculpture, Gold Key

Paul Yanko
Kymberly Day, Art Portfolio, Gold Key
Tatyana Grechina, Painting, American Visions
Madeline Mikolon, Painting, Gold Key

**The National Biennial Juried High School
Metals Exhibition**
Zachary NeSmith, First Place
Kayla Gifford, Second Place

The Picasso Project
Tatyana Grechina, State-wide Winner, Printmaking
Madeline Mikolon, Regional Winner, Printmaking
Kate Barnwell, Regional Winner, Printmaking

Visual Arts Department Student Exhibition Awards
Jeanet Dreskin Scholarship Award
Maria Isabel Arroyo

Lipscomb Family Foundation Purchase Award
Kayla Gifford

Chevalier Jackson Tucker Award
Tatyana Grechina

2008 Visual Arts Department Purchase Award
Erin Mitchell

Gomez Design Award
Emerald Persall

Congratulations



Class of 2009!

The front cover of this program was designed by senior visual artist
Emerald Persall

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